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For: METHOD FOR BONDING DIFFERENT MEMBERS AND COMPOSITE  
MEMBERS BONDED BY THE METHOD

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

The listed references were cited during prosecution of parent application Serial No. 09/603,203, filed June 26, 2000, and copies of each reference may be found in the PTO file for the parent application.

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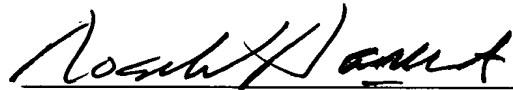
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